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The requisite fee of \$110.00 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) is enclosed herewith. Please charge any additional fee or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 06-2425. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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